list of highly polluting industires, as notified by the Department of Industrial Department, is enclosed. (*See below*).

(b) Yes, Sir; in respect of those industries which come under the purview of industrial licensing.

(c) Yes, Sir.

List of twenty polluting Industries as notified by the Department of Industrial Development

i. Primary mettallurgical producing industries *viz.*, Zinc, Lead, Copper, Aluminium and Steel;

ii. Paper, Pulp and Newsprint;

iii. Pesticides/Insecticides;

(iv) Refineries;

(v) Fertilizers;

(vi) Paints;

vii. Dyes;

viii. Leather Tanning;

ix. Rayon;

x. Sodium/Potassium Cyanide;

xi. Basic Drugs;

xii. Foundry;

xiii. Storage Batteries (Lead acid type);

xiv. Acids/Alkalies;

xv. Plastics;

xvi. Rubber—Synthetic;

xvii. Cement;

xviii. Asbestos;

xix. Fermentation Industry;

xx. Electro-plating Industry.

Production of tele-communication equipment

350. PROF. B. RAMACHANDRA RAO: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the gap between the production and demand for telecommunication equipment including telephone instruments in the country;

(b) what action Government have taken to involve private sector in the production of tele-communication equipment according to the declared policy in this respect; and

(c) whether Government propose to permit private sector to produce telecommunication equipment with foreign collaboration?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ATOMIC ENERGY, ELECTRONICS, OCEAN DEVELOPMENT AND SPACE (SHRI SHIVRAJ V. PATIL): (a) Present annual estimated gap is approximately Rs. 100 crores.

(b) (i) To involve private sector, letters of intent/approvals have been issued to nearly 50 private parties for the manufacture of subscribers terminal equipment.

(ii) Manufacture of Switching and Transmission equipment is now permitted with atleast 51 per cent shares being held by Central/State Governments and maximum of 49 per cent being held by private parties.

(iii) It is proposed to set up Electronics Switching System factory using the technology that is being developed indigenously by the Centre for Development of Telematics (CDOT). The investment of the Government in this venture would be restricted to 26 per cent, 25 per cent would be offered to a private sector party and 49 per cent would be thrown open to the general public.

(c) It had been decided earlier to import foreign technology centrally, for some products. Except for these products, private sector is being allowed to manufacture subscribers terminal equipment with foreign collaboration based on merit, wherever indigenous technology is not available.